

ST. MARK'S QUILTERS

Established in the late 1970s, The Quilters is one of the oldest mission teams at St. Mark's. Meeting each Tuesday from 9 am to noon in the Anchor Room, a group of dedicated women creates warm quilts to be given where there is a need. Over the years St. Mark's quilts have been distributed throughout the world. This year alone, 170 double size quilts have been given to Mission of Hope, CrossRoads, Headstart and the Freedom Foundation, and 85 children's quilts have been given to the Headstart program at Kenwood Elementary School.



Additional quilts are donated each year to Riverside and EWALU Bible camps where they are auctioned off as part of the camps' fundraisers. And each year a beautiful Christmas themed quilt is awarded to a lucky ticketholder at the Women's Annual Christmas Dinner.

The Quilters are a warm and welcoming group who extend an invitation to anyone who is interested. No special skills are required. The tasks are simple--fabric is cut into squares using a template; the squares are coordinated by color and patterns and readied to be sewn into quilt tops. The packets of readied squares are taken home by individuals who sew them together. Once the completed tops are returned, the quilts are assembled. Members enjoy fellowship and build relationships as they work together to add a batting and a backing to the tops, then tying the three layers together before adding a binding. Each meeting also includes a coffee break with devotions and conversation.

St. Mark's provides the space for meeting, the funds for batting and a storage place for the quilting supplies. The fabric and backing comes from donations. Your gifts of cotton material and/or gently used flat sheets are always appreciated.

